The Director of Central Intelligence

Washington, D. C. 20505

Honorable Orrin G. Hatch, Chairman Committee on Labor and Human Resources United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I am writing in support of H.R. 756, which recently passed the House by a vote of 327-82 and is now pending before your Committee. The officers of the Federal Protective Service have done an outstanding job in protecting the personnel and property of the Intelligence Community in the buildings which the Community occupies. These officers receive the same training, have the same types of duties and responsibilities, and run the same occupational risks as do federal law enforcement officers such as the Uniformed Division of the Secret Service and the Capitol Police. Representative Dale E. Kildee of Michigan introduced this Bill in order to raise the pay and benefits of Federal Protective Officers to equal those of similarly situated federal law enforcement officers.

I believe that H.R. 756 accords Federal Protective Officers a status befitting their service to the country, and I support the concepts embodied in the Bill.

The members of the Intelligence Community greatly appreciate the fine work that the General Services Administration's Federal Protective Officers have done for us.

Sincerely,

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